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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2882  
Docket No.: PHD 99,179

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Volker Rasche, et al.

Serial No. 09/732,200

Group Art Unit: 2882

Confirmation No. 9483

Filed: December 7, 2000

Examiner: Chih Cheng G. Kao

For: X-RAY DEVICE PROVIDED WITH A ROBOT ARM

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on June 6, 2002. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed by June 6, 2002.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please AMEND claims 1, 3, and 5 and ADD new claims 11-20 in accordance with the following:

1. (AS TWICE AMENDED) An X-ray device provided with an X-ray source and an X-ray detector which are mounted at different ends of a common holding device, the common holding device being connected to a room by way of a supporting device,  
wherein the supporting device comprises a plurality of hinged, serially interconnected supporting members, wherein the hinges connecting the supporting members are plane hinges,

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